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F. B. DEACON,
Hon. Secretary,
H.K.H.C.
Hongkong, 21st September, 1900. [2448]

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Hongkong, 1st September, 1900. [2323]

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MARRIAGE.

At the English Church, Nagasaki, on Monday,
the 17th September, 1894, ELLWOOD GARFIELD
BARRETT, youngest son of Mr. Henry S. BARRETT,
of Boston, Massachusetts, United States, to ANNIE,
eldest daughter of Captain Robert Neill WALKER,
of Nagasaki, Japan.

DEATH.

On the 16th September, at 1 a.m., at her resi-
dence, 82, Institution Hill, Singapore, SUSANNAH,
wife of Archibald CAMPBELL.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 9, PRAYA CENTRAL.
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, September 26th, 1900

At the annual meeting of the Hongkong branch of the China Association, held at the City Hall on Monday, the great point brought out in the Chairman's interesting speech was the fact that that body's failure to carry out its programme. As Mr. FRANCIS remarked, the principal object for which the Association was formed is expressed in the first paragraph of the memorandum of association—or what passes for such—as follows:—"To represent, to express, and to give effect to the opinion of the British mercantile community in their political and commercial relations with the Chinese and Japanese." He added, and with truth, that the Association had very fairly represented and expressed that opinion on the main topics that had agitated it, but had altogether failed to give effect thereto. This, in his opinion, and in that of the energetic Hon. Secretary to the London branch, Mr. GUNDEY, was due to the Association having practically constituted itself, or suffered itself to become, a sort of intelligence department or confidential adviser to the Foreign Office. This rôle was no doubt originally accepted by the London Branch in good faith, believing that the representations they would be able to make would always suffice to secure the support and action of the Foreign Office. The idea inspiring this arrangement probably was that the correct views of the mercantile community in the Far East would be clearly laid before the Foreign Secretary, that in return the objections to their proposals would be revealed to the Association, that some settlement, either by compromise or by persistent pressure in cases where

the justice of a claim or proposal was undeniable, could be reached without the endless negotiations which usually attend such questions. But the Association had reckoned without the host. The Foreign Office were willing enough to receive information and to accept advice, but they were only prepared to act on the latter when it was quite convenient. Unfortunately delay is the favourite weapon of Chinese diplomacy, and the Foreign Office, always beset with intricate questions in all parts of the world, was only too ready to take a leaf out of the Celestial book and hang up a troublesome or knotty question for consideration at a more convenient season. This course, while entirely consistent with the traditions of the Department, and eminently satisfactory to the permanent staff, is calculated to irritate and exasperate those suffering loss by needless delay and worried by the uncertainty attending long drawn-out negotiations. The Association, as we have said, in the innocence and confidence of their hearts, had reposed fullest faith in the desire of the Foreign Office to uphold the national interests. But alas for this misplaced faith! Statesmen like Princes cannot be relied upon; the exigencies of the hour too often outweigh convictions of justice, sentiments of honour, and even considerations of patriotism. Such an arrangement as that tacitly agreed upon by the China Association and the Foreign Office could not, therefore, become permanent. The patience of members was sure to flicker and eventually die out under such conditions; and the Association now, at a rather late date, it is true, recognises that its methods have hitherto not been the soundest or the most expedient, however natural and reasonable they at first seemed to the inexperienced mind.

Impatient with the adherence of the China Association to its methods of dealing with the Foreign Office, a number of influential personages in London have formed the China League, which is apparently going to be worked on the lines of the Navy League. The latter have long since recognised the futility of appealing to the Admiralty alone; they go straight to the British public, and their little organ is always filled with statements, carefully backed up by statistics and facts, in which their case is convincingly put. It is not impossible that its persistent attacks upon Mr. Goschen's administration of the department have influenced that eminent Minister to announce his intention not to seek re-election. If so, the Navy League has not laboured in vain. Mr. Goschen, although one of the foremost statesmen of his time, an accomplished scholar, a fine speaker, and probably the greatest living financier, has not been a success at the Admiralty. It is almost ungracious to say so, having regard to Mr. Goschen's splendid services to the nation, his noble adherence to principles rather than to party, and his successful career at the Exchequer. But the fact remains, the right honourable gentleman has not maintained the Navy at the point desired by the nation; he has not even spent the money voted for its augmentation; and justifies his inaction by asserting its efficiency. Naturally this is a question of opinion, but naval experts do not agree with the First Lord, and there is a suspicion that he could not divest himself of the perhaps natural reluctance of the ex-Chancellor of the Exchequer to be lavish with the sums voted. He has been weighed by the Navy League in the scales of prudence and found wanting; the League declare the nation's commerce is under-insured, and accuse the First Lord of imperilling this great interest. It is well, therefore, that Mr. Goschen has seen fit to retire from office. He has thereby saved his colleagues much tribulation and greatly improved the prospects of his party at the general election. His action was no doubt dictated by a patriotic desire to secure unanimity in the Unionist ranks, and he will have his reward. Here then, we may urge, is a concrete instance of the wisdom of the Navy League's tactics. They have appealed not to Caesar but to the people, and the voice of public opinion, echoed in the Press, and on the Platform, has been instrumental in bringing about a resignation which should pave the way for all-important reforms and extensions at the Admiralty. By all means, therefore, let the China Association follow the methods, where possible, of the Navy League. They will, of course, find it more difficult to arouse the public interest in the affairs of a distant corner of the world than to kindle the British imagination over the condition of England's first line of defence; but recent events have done much to lessen the task, for the Anglo-Saxon world are now to a great extent alive to the importance of their stake in Eastern Asia, the vast trade developed and the dangers now developing from Chinese treachery and foreign rivalry. To keep the Press and public well informed on every question bearing on British trade and industries in the Far East, and by their means to bring pressure to bear on the Foreign Office, seems to be the only certain way of securing the needed action by Her Majesty's Government.

No fresh plague cases or deaths were reported during the 24 hours ending at noon yesterday.

Chan Mi, the master of fishing boat No. 8,141, was yesterday fined \$25 for dredging in the man-of-war anchorage. A number of things were found in his boat which had evidently come from the war-vessels.

On Saturday afternoon Inspector Duncan visited the shop of Chan Ting, of 22, Connaught Road West, and found there several weights which were much too light. The man was taken before Mr. Hassland yesterday and fined \$100, or two months.

Apart from the one fatal plague case last week, only two cases of communicable disease were reported as occurring in the colony during the week, viz. two of enteric fever, in the City of Victoria. Both ended fatally.

Direct telegraphic communication between Penang and Bangkok has been established for some time. But there has been no traffic, owing to the Siam telegraph department discovering that the tariff it had agreed to is cheaper than that in vogue in Siam, and declining to keep the line open.

The death-blow has been given at Wuchow on the West River to any chance of the inland water concession being carried out. The official who was to have initiated the preliminary measures was removed many months ago by the Governor of Kwangsi, at the instance of the local officials; and we now learn that the office which had been provided for his occupation has been sold, to be used either as an eating house or gambling-shop, or possibly as a combination of the two.

We received yesterday afternoon from Mr. Rounseville Wildman, U. S. Consul-General, the following typhoon warning, dated Manila Observatory, 25th inst., 11.30 a.m.:—"The typhoon has probably divided into two centres. One centre seems to have crossed to the south of Luzon and is now in the neighbourhood of Mindoro moving towards W. or W. S. W. The other centre is off the east of Luzon in the Pacific."

We call our readers' attention to the Concert to be held on the Parade Ground, Headquarters, in aid of the Ladies' Military Hospital Fund to-night, Wednesday, 28th September, commencing at 9 p.m. A notice giving full details appears in another column. Among the vocalists are Mr. Alec Marsh and many of our leading local singers. The Band of the R.W.F. is kindly lent for the occasion by Major Everitt and the Officers. The proceeds of the Concert will be given in aid of the Ladies' Military Hospital Fund.

The N.-C. Daily News comments on an interview granted by "Miss MacDonald, daughter of H. M. Representative in Peking," to a member of the staff of the *Asahi*, and says that the fact that Miss MacDonald is somewhere about six years old accounts for the following statement which closes the summary:—"When the fire of the Chinese shelled the beleaguered folks organised a slack entertainment to keep up their spirits, and feasted upon the water-melon sent by the Empress Dowager, no other kind of food or drink being available."

According to the N.-C. Daily News, writes a correspondent long resident in China, Sir Ernest Satow, the Minister at Tokyo, is to change places with Sir Claude MacDonald and go to Peking. "It would be difficult to make a worse selection. Sir Ernest Satow, though personally popular, has never made any mark in Japan, and as a Minister has not gained the respect of the British residents. His only recommendation for the post is, in fact, that he has always been ready to coincide with the Mikado's Government. It may be advisable to remove from Peking the other; but Sir Claude MacDonald has been handicapped by the British Foreign Office, who have ignored his warnings and advice, and undermined any influence he could have brought to bear on the Taungti Yamen. He certainly deserved better treatment than to be sent to a nominally lower, though certainly more agreeable, post." Another report comes from London to the effect that "Mr. Byron Brennan, C.M.G., is coming out as Minister to China to relieve Sir Claude MacDonald, whose term of office soon expires." This report, of course, is incompatible with the other story, but some are inclined to give credence to it.

The other week a man and woman named Fung Kan, alias Fong King Toi and Chan J., were sentenced to six months' hard labour for kidnapping a small boy. The man was a servant at the Hospital Sisters' quarters, and an examination of his room caused the police to suspect that this was not the first kidnapping case with which he had been concerned. They accordingly prosecuted enquiries which have resulted in another charge of a similar character being preferred against him and his partner. It seems that in June last a girl named Tai Mei was missed from her home at No. 54, Graham Street. On the 19th of August the woman who acted as amah at the latter address was going down Aberdeen Street when she saw the little girl on the verandah of No. 7. She at once went into the house, secured the child, and carried her to the Police Station. The police went down to the house, but found that the occupants had already flown. The other day the girl was asked to take the police to the place where she stayed when taken away from her home, and she at once led them into the male defendant's room at the Hospital Sisters' quarters. Some of the articles of clothing found in the room were recognised as the girl's, and the girl identified the defendants as the people with whom she stayed. The defendants were brought before Mr. Hassland yesterday and remanded until Monday next.

Tinned milk has gone up high in price at Bangkok. The reason given is that so much is wanted for the troops in China.

According to a Seoul telegram, dated the 18th inst., the Korean Government has granted to Japanese fishing privileges off the coast of Kyungkal province for the term of twenty years.

The steamer *Taijia Maru*, of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, which is now under construction at the Kawasaki Ship-Building Yard, Kobe, has just left the ways, and the finishing touches will be put on her as soon as possible. She is of 1,600 tons displacement, and will be used on the line between Tamsui and Hongkong.

At the half-yearly general meeting of the Singapore Club on the 18th inst., it appeared from the report that the past half-year shows a balance against the club of \$1,294. The number of resident members on 30th June, 1900, was 146 as against 140 at 31st December, 1899; subscribing members 47 as against 51 at same date; guests introduced to the club during the half-year 893 as against 897 during the preceding six months. There are 53 country members.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha has received from the Japanese Government an order relating to the shipping subsidy which will be granted for a period of five years ending September, 1905. It is understood that under the order newly given, the Company will be unable to fix the passenger and freight rates without obtaining permission from the Government, which will further order the Company, whenever it is deemed necessary, to raise or reduce the rate of freight, etc. It is also provided in the order that the rate of charterage, etc., will be fixed by the Government, and the Company must comply with the rate deemed proper by the Government.

The Annual General Meeting of members of the Hongkong St. Andrew's Society was held yesterday evening in the City Hall. Capt. G. C. Anderson presided. The following officers were appointed:—President, Mr. Jas. McKie, proposed by Mr. David Gillies, seconded by Mr. G. Murray Bain; Vice-President, the Hon. T. H. Whitehead, proposed by Mr. Fullerton Henderson, seconded by Mr. J. C. Peter; Honorary Secretary, Mr. David Wood, and Honorary Treasurer, Mr. D. R. Crawford, proposed by the Hon. J. J. Keswick, seconded by Mr. James MacKie. The following General Committee was appointed by ballot:—Messrs. Bain, Stewart, Robertson, Law and Peter. It was decided that a ball should be held on St. Andrew's Day on the same basis as last year, subscription being \$10, first gentleman guest or married couple \$10, subsequent gentleman guest or married couple \$5.

On the 20th August last the American Association of China sent to Mr. Conger, the U. S. Minister at Peking, a telegram of hearty congratulations on the relief of Peking, expressing also their admiration for the gallant defence of the garrison and the bravery of the relievers. Mr. Conger has sent the following reply, dated Peking, 1st September:—"Dear Friends:—It is comforting to know that during our terrible siege, our friends were thinking of us, and that everything was being done for our successful deliverance; for all of which we are profoundly grateful. Your hearty telegraphic congratulations gave us all great pleasure. Your message has been given general circulation and all bid me thank you every one most sincerely. We have had a hard time, but are all right now, and ready for the reconstruction and reformation that must come, if the work of half a century is not to go for naught. Emphasising my personal appreciation of your kind interest and cordial congratulation, I am, yours very sincerely, E. H. Conger."

An American missionary, in his account to the N.-C. Daily News of the siege of the Peking Legations, tells an amusing story in connection with the defence of the Methodist chapel which was converted into a fort by the defenders. It was learnt later, he says, that the Boxers decided that they would need 10,000 faithful and tried men to capture this fort. "It was reported among the Chinese that the Boxers had seen a very large figure in black standing upon the eunuchs of the church, and although thousands of incantations had been made every evening just before dark, that same figure made its appearance upon the chapel. For this reason the taking of the fort had to be put off. The dreaded being seems to have been Mr. Gilbert Reid, who came to take his watch on the church tower at the same hour every evening. No wonder the Boxers thought it was some supernatural being who had dropped down, when they saw Gilbert Reid's 6 feet and 2 inches in a long black coat, standing on the very pinnacle of the temple."

A Mining Lane report on the outlook of the tea trade observes that it is not at all brilliant, and if the usual supply of China tea fails to reach the London market, Great Britain, Australasia and Canada will have to fly to the Ceylon and Indian markets to make up the deficiency and meet the yearly demand. There is only a short crop in Japan, and there is only about two months' consumption in Great Britain. The prices are already advancing, continues the report, and must still go higher when it is known there will be a shortage of China supplies. One of the unlooked-for results of the Boxer uprising and the miracle of the Chinese Government may be the loss to China of the balance of the tea trade, of which at one time it had the monopoly. Ceylon and India have already pushed China tea out of the British market, and have made themselves felt in Russia, Canada, the United States and other countries. Should it be forced into general use in the United States this season (the China grows) may finally lose its last stronghold.

Captain A. S. Vanrenou, of the Malay States Guides, has been appointed Major in that Corps.

Mr. R. J. Wilkinson leaves Penang for Singapore to take up the duties of second assistant Colonial Secretary.

The butchers' strike at Bangkok against slaughtering at the Government abattoir there—just made compulsory by law—has failed.

General Barry of the U.S. army is lying seriously ill at St. Bernard's Hospital, Nagasaki. He arrived from Taku a short time ago on an U.S. transport.

Mr. Kinder, who is in charge of the North China Railway, estimates that it will require £700,000 to repair the line from Peking to Tientsin.

On the 11th instant the police at Bangkok seized a quantity of contraband spirit in the compound of a Roman Catholic church. The search party was opposed with sticks and knives.

Last Monday week, Mr. J. Edgar, the second officer of the S.S. *Saladin*, committed suicide by jumping into the sea from Tanjong Pagar Wharf, Singapore. No reason can be assigned for the rash act.General Dods, who is to replace the late General Borgnis-Desbordes as Commander-in-Chief of the troops in French Indo-China, is a passenger to Saigon by the belated *Laos*, which left Singapore on the 23rd inst.

The piece of plate subscribed for by 29,000 Russians to be given to General Cronje is surmounted by a picturesque group, representing a mounted Boer vedette with rifle on thigh, standing on the look-out, on the summit of a steep crag, made of a block of porphyry. The base of this block is hollowed out, and shows a woman kneeling behind cover and firing a rifle. The stand is oval in form, measures twenty-eight by twenty-one inches, and is of solid silver, richly enamelled.

The Paris correspondent of *L'Evening du Tonkin*, with the good-taste and regard for truth characteristic of that journal, observes:—"If the allies had not had the folly to confide the task of commanding them to the English admiral Seymour, there would have been neither the march on Peking with 2,000 (1) men nor the bombardment of Taku, nor the bombardment of the Peking Legations. All this happened through an Englishman who lost his head."

Messrs. Varrow and Co. (Limited) have applied an automatic system of lubrication to two first-class torpedo-boats, built by them and just delivered to the Dutch Government, which are intended to increase the naval strength on the Dutch East Indies Station. This system of lubrication was not carried out in the Japanese torpedo-boats. It consists in enclosing the engines completely, making the bottom of the torpedo-boat, as it were, the bottom of a tank to contain oil. A small pump is provided for pumping the oil from the bottom of this tank, and forcing it through numerous pipes led to the different bearings. There is nothing new in this system of lubrication, which has been adopted somewhat extensively for stationary engines, but this is, it is believed, the first time that it has been fitted on board a ship.

A new Commercial Intelligence Branch of the Board of Trade has been established. It is to be in touch with all the representative bodies of British commercial men throughout the world, and in carrying on its business of supplying commercial information, the Branch will endeavour to comply with all applications received which have in view the extension of British trading interests. The Branch will endeavour to supply, on application, information regarding Commercial Statistics, Foreign and Colonial Tariffs, Exports and Consumption Duties, Port, Harbour and Tonnage Dues, Customs Regulations, Consular Fees, Forms of Certificates of Origin, Regulations regarding Commercial Travellers' Trading Licences, Foreign and Colonial Contracts open to tender, Foreign and Colonial Bounties, also Lists of Firms engaged in particular lines of business in all the different localities.

The total foreign commerce of the United States during the fiscal year 1900 is the heaviest within the history of the Union, according to mail advices received from Washington. The figures of the Treasury Bureau of Statistics show a total of 2,224,193,543 dol., being 320,000,000 greater than that of 1899. The exports are 1,394,379,214 dol., or 163,000,000 dol. in excess of those of 1899, which held the record of the largest exports until the record of 1900 was made. All of the great classes show an increase in exportation—fisheries, 1,000,000 dol.; mining and forestry, nearly 10,000,000 dol.; manufactures, nearly 5,000,000 dol.; and manufactures, nearly 100,000,000 dol. over the 1899 phenomenal year. Imports are also heavy, especially in the class designated as "articles in a crude condition which enter into the various processes of domestic industry." Of the five great classes of imports, articles in a crude condition, for use in manufacturing, show by far the largest growth. Manufactures show a gain of about 20,000,000 dol. over last year; articles of voluntary use, luxuries, etc., also about 20,000,000 dol.; articles of food, about 15,000,000 dol.; articles wholly or partially manufactured for use in manufacturing, 25,000,000 dol.; and articles in a crude condition which enter into the various processes of domestic industry, over 75,000,000 dol. The most notable features of the year's commerce are:—First, the increase of the imports of manufacturers' material not produced at home; second, the increase in exports of manufactured articles; and third, the fact that the foreign commerce, for the first time in the fiscal year record, crossed the 20,000,000,000 dol. line.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS SERVICE."

THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.]

SHANGHAI, 24th September, 10.25 p.m.

A DEFIANT EDICT—IN THE
EMPEROR'S NAME.

Local officials report that Prince Tuan has issued a secret edict in the Emperor's name, in which it is stated that the Chinese Government is determined at all costs to continue the war against the foreign Powers.

SHANGHAI, 25th September, 7.55 p.m.

IMPERIAL REWARD FOR THE
DEAD LI PING-HENG.

An Imperial Decree has been issued granting posthumous honours to Li Ping-heng, who committed suicide after the Tungchow affair.

WALDERSEE'S REPORTED
ULTIMATUM.

The officials here are alarmed at the report that Count von Waldersee in an ultimatum threatens to stop all supplies from the Yangtze and despatch an allied force to Shansi unless the culprits are promptly punished.

GERMAN SQUADRON GOES
TO TAKU.

The German ironclad squadron has gone to Taku to-day with the new German Minister to China.

London, 24th September, 7.45 p.m.

U.S. FIRM FOR PUNISHMENT.

The United States Note holds that punishment of the guilty is essentially a condition for negotiations in the final settlement with China.

WILL NEGOTIATE FROM PEKING.

The States have no present intention of withdrawing their legation from Peking. Mr. Conger is authorised to negotiate with Li Hung-chang and Prince Ching. SIR E. SATOW'S APPOINTMENT. The *Globe* says that it is notorious that Sir Ernest Satow's appointment to Peking meets with no approval.THE WAR IN SOUTH
AFRICA.

London, 24th September, 7.45 p.m.

KOOMATIPOORT TAKEN—GREAT
CAPTURES OF STORES.

General Pole-Carew has occupied Koomatiport. Lord Roberts is daily reporting great captures of Boer stores.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

London, 23rd September.

THE UNITED STATES AND THE
CHINA CRISIS.

The reply of the United States to Germany, says that the punishment of the authors of the recent outrages is essential; but in order to prevent their recurrence nothing would be so effective as punishment by the Imperial authorities themselves. It recommends that China be afforded this opportunity for rehabilitation, and to make the punishment a matter of negotiation in the final settlement. In reply to a communication from Russia the United States Government says that it has no present intention of withdrawing the legation from Peking. It is stated at Washington that it is not intended to employ the military for further offensive operations, and the troops will consequently not co-operate offensively with the Germans under Count Waldersee.

London, 23rd September.

THE GERMAN NOTE.

Only Italy, Austria, and France have replied to the German note which they all accept unconditionally. It is understood that the United States reject the German proposal because it cannot recognise the principle of a country surrendering its citizens to foreigners for punishment.

THE CAPE.

The Cape Treason Bill has passed its third reading.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN WAR.

General Methuen has routed a large Boer convoy between Vryburg and Bloemhof. Lord Roberts is not likely to remain much longer in South Africa.

LONDON, 23rd September.

THE APPROACHING ELECTION.

Mr. Goschen notifies that he will not seek reelection.

THE UNITED STATES AND CHINA.

The United States, replying to China, accept Li Hung-chang and Prince Ching as plenipotentiaries and authorize Mr. Conger to enter into relations with them.

THE UNITED STATES AND CHINA.

The United States are sending several more war-ships to China.

LORD SALISBURY ON THE CRISIS.

Lord Salisbury in a manifesto says that it is difficult to overstate the complexity of the task of restoring security and tranquility in China.

THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

LOCAL MOVEMENT.

H. M. S. *Redpole* returned yesterday from Japan.

THE RUSSO-GERMAN MOVE ON PEITANG.

An explanation has been given us by a recent arrival from the north of the late Russo-German move on Peitang, on the Tientsin-Shanghai line. When the Peking line had passed entirely into Russian hands, it appeared the British Admiral was urged to secure Tientsin from the Shanghai line, between Tientsin and Peitang and Lutai. At Tientsin there is a number of repairing-sheds, the materials from which are required for the repair of the railway. The Admiral, however, did not see his way to do this, and consequently the Russians and Germans have undertaken the task, beginning by capturing the Peitang Forts and town. The importance of this move lies in the fact that Shanghai is an ice-free port, whereas Tientsin in winter is ice-bound. The holders of Shanghai and the coast railway from it to Tientsin will therefore have a great advantage.

THE JAPANESE EMPEROR AND THE TROOPS.

The Emperor of Japan has addressed the following message to the Army and Navy:— "Fighting amid great heat in a strange land, our military and naval forces, in co-operation with those of Foreign Powers, have overcome obstacles and conquered a stout resistance, discharging their duty ably, and finally reaching Peking and accomplishing the object of saving the Ministers. We strongly applaud this achievement, and we trust that our forces will continue their zealous discharge of our commands, and their careful observance of discipline, to the further enhancement of our Empire's military reputation."

This message was accompanied by various presents for the troops and was conveyed by an Imperial Chamberlain to the officers commanding at sea and on shore, by whom suitable replies were made.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Admiral Bordenmann, chief of the German Squadron, arrived at Taku by the *Prinz Bismarck* on the 17th inst.

The following corps in Peking are to be increased:—1st Bengal Lancers to 400; 7th Bengal Infantry (Rajput); 500; 24th Bombay Infantry; 500; 1st Sikh; 500; 24th Punjab Infantry; 400.

The Indian Cavalry Brigade arrived with Gen. Richardson on the 18th inst., and has gone into camp outside the Mud Wall. The horses arrived in excellent condition after an exceedingly quick passage on the *Sunda*.

The 57th Native Field Hospital arrived at Tientsin on the 1st inst., with Lieut-Col. D. B. Spencer, who has assumed the duties of Senior Medical Officer of that station.

The Provisional Government of Tientsin Native City are inviting tenders for rice of various qualities to be delivered in Tientsin before the closing of the port.

The approval of the Secretary of State has been asked for the employment of Colonel Col. H. A. Z. Zeller, Service Corps, at Hongkong, as the commanding officer of the 1st Battalion of the Indian Infantry.

Major G. P. Coates, R.A.M.C., who is proceeding to China with the *Scindia* hospital ship, the *Chantrel*, arrived in Calcutta on the 18th inst., as well as Major Turner, who is going in charge of the Ordnance Field Park as senior officer.

Dr. Cole and Dr. Grant, Civil Medical Practitioners, have arrived under orders from the Home Government for duty in Peking. The authorities are evidently determined, says the *P. & O. Times*, that there shall be no "hospital scandal" in connection with this expedition on the score of medical supply.

Brevet-Major T. S. Scott, D.S.O., 1st Sikh, has been appointed Road Commandant, Line of Communications, and takes charge of the section from Hsien-tai to Peking, headquarters at Tung-chow.

It is proposed that native officers, non-commissioned officers and men temporarily detached from Corps in India for Field Service in China should be seconded and replaced, and the *Indian Daily News* Simla correspondent. It is estimated, he says, that an additional supply of 8,000 tons of fodder will suffice to meet the demands of the China force till April next.

A new crew has been engaged for the engineers and deck departments of the United States hospital ship *Relief*, who are now on their way to China to join the fleet. The new complement consists of fifteen men. The occasion for the change is not given out at headquarters, says an American journal, but it is presumed that trouble has arisen on the hospital ship.

Among the Australian Naval Contingent now in China are a number of veterans who have seen active service in various parts of the world. A Sydney journal pleasantly recounts some of these naval men in times past, and in reference to Chief Petty Officer Sparks, remarks, "ed that as a boy on H.M.S. *Argentine* he had a brush with an Australian shore near Cape Horn in 1878. In 1877 he was one of the crew of H.M.S. *Shah*, which disabled the Peruvian retail transport ship *Huascar*, off Ylo, Peru, after an engagement lasting four hours and a half. Two days before this fight the *Huascar* had successfully engaged and beaten off the whole of the Peruvian fleet. In 1870 Sparks was one

of the naval flying column that relieved Lord Chelmsford, who was hemmed in by Zulul at Ulundi. He wears the Zulu war medal. General Hutton (then a lieutenant) saw his first active service at this time.

At a recent meeting of the German East Asiatic Benevolent Committee, it was stated that nearly 415,000 had been collected for the benefit of the soldiers taking part in the expedition to China, and of their relatives.

For the German troops going out to, and being already in China, every day supplies are coming in the way of presents from all quarters of Germany. The brandy and liqueur factory of A. Mondthal, at Königsberg, in Prussia, last week sent a thousand bottles of old brandy, made of pure rye, for the troops fighting in China.

GRAVE REPORTS FROM CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton, 23rd September.

RIOTS NEAR CANTON. It is said that grave disturbances have broken out in the Ping Po village somewhere near the Macao Fort, a short distance from Canton. The Pun Yui Magistrate, under whose jurisdiction the locality lies, by order of the Acting Viceroy took a large number of troops, and proceeded thither at once on Saturday night to suppress the rioting.

THE CHINA ACTIVE. In the Chung Chin village, also not far from Canton, there are already 20,000 men of the Triad Society, who use this place as their basis for collecting more men preparatory to rebellion.

ATTACKS ON CONVERTS. In the Nam Kong, near Sun Tong, in the neighborhood of Whampoa, the inhabitants are ill-treating the native converts and have obliterated the names of the chapels. General Ma Kai Tong took 4,000 soldiers and proceeded thither to preserve order.

THREATS AGAINST A FRENCH GUNBOAT. Report says that the French gunboat *Andache* remains at anchor at Kamechuk, and that the Chinese threaten that if she does anything they will use all their forces to destroy her.

These, of course, are rumours, but as was the case in the north, rumours sometimes turn out serious.

COLLAPSE OF A BUILDING IN HOLLYWOOD ROAD.

TWO KILLED AND FOUR SERIOUSLY INJURED.

The fact that many of the older buildings in the city are a standing danger to the community and require a thorough over-hauling is brought home to the authorities from time to time by the collapse of a building either in one part of the city or another. These occurrences are almost invariably accompanied by loss of life, but the authorities seem powerless to do anything to prevent them, and we may expect that they will continue to happen.

A sad affair took place in Hollywood Road yesterday morning. At about half-past nine the occupants of No. 42 were terrified by hearing a tremendous crash proceeding from the back part of the premises. They soon learned that the cockhouse had collapsed, the top one having first given way and carried all before it. Acting Chief Inspector Kemp, Assistant Engineer Robertson and several members of the Fire Brigade were on the spot with all speed with a view to rescuing any one who might be buried in the debris. They had no light task before them, as in consequence of the space being but small the debris was several feet in depth.

They soon came across a woman and a little girl, who were near the surface and had probably come down with the top story. They were taken to the Hospital unconscious. They were badly injured about the head, and it was evident that it was not at all likely that they would recover. Another woman and girl were also sent to the Hospital in a precarious state. The police worked with a will at the huge pile of rubbish in the hope that more of the occupants might be still alive under the debris, but the hope was not realized.

Towards noon the dead bodies of another woman and girl were found terribly crushed and battered. All yesterday the work of clearing away the debris was continued. It was not thought that there was anyone in the basement, which is only used as a store for old iron.

No one making an inspection of the premises can wonder at the building collapsing, as the floors seem to have been most inadequately supported. We are given to understand that the enforcing of the regulation as to backyards has something to do with this. At one time there were two gangways leading from the living rooms to the cock-houses. The gangway beams acted as a support to the floors, also to the walls. In order to comply with the regulations and to give more light and air one gangway on each floor was removed; hence the reduction of support to the floors and walls. We shall not be surprised to learn of other collapses in the same block. On visiting the back of the adjoining house our representative was shown a water-trough which reached right to the top of the block. It was leaking in innumerable places and seemed to have made the bricks here and there as soft as putty.

HONGKONG POLO CLUB. There will be a match at the Causeway Day ground to-day, weather permitting, between teams representing the Indian Troops now in Hongkong, and the Hongkong Polo Club. The following are the teams:—

INDIAN TROOPS. 1. Major Pithi Singh. 2. Major Kettowall. 3. Capt. Watson. 4. Capt. Watson. 5. Capt. Watson. 6. Capt. Watson. 7. Capt. Watson. 8. Capt. Watson. 9. Capt. Watson. 10. Capt. Watson. 11. Capt. Watson. 12. Capt. Watson. 13. Capt. Watson. 14. Capt. Watson. 15. Capt. Watson. 16. Capt. Watson. 17. Capt. Watson. 18. Capt. Watson. 19. Capt. Watson. 20. Capt. Watson. 21. Capt. Watson. 22. Capt. Watson. 23. Capt. Watson. 24. Capt. Watson. 25. Capt. Watson. 26. Capt. Watson. 27. Capt. Watson. 28. Capt. Watson. 29. Capt. Watson. 30. Capt. Watson. 31. Capt. Watson. 32. Capt. Watson. 33. Capt. Watson. 34. Capt. Watson. 35. Capt. Watson. 36. Capt. Watson. 37. Capt. Watson. 38. Capt. Watson. 39. Capt. Watson. 40. Capt. Watson. 41. Capt. Watson. 42. Capt. Watson. 43. Capt. Watson. 44. Capt. Watson. 45. Capt. Watson. 46. Capt. Watson. 47. Capt. Watson. 48. Capt. Watson. 49. Capt. Watson. 50. Capt. Watson. 51. Capt. Watson. 52. Capt. Watson. 53. Capt. Watson. 54. Capt. Watson. 55. Capt. 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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

WANTED at Once, **YOUNG MAN** for **CYCLE STORE**. Must have practical knowledge of the business; guarantee required. **RAMSEY & CO.**
D'Aguilar Street.
Hongkong, 26th September, 1900. [2500]

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, **TOMORROW (THURSDAY)**, the 27th inst., at 11 A.M., at their Sales Rooms, 19 BAGO RICE, 3 BAGO OATMEAL, 5 CASKS RAISINS, 14 CASKS ASSORTED VARNISH and ENAMEL.

Also
A Quantity of WINES and SPIRITS.
Comprising—
SHERRY, MADIRA, PORT and 20 Cases **IRISH WHISKY** (Henry Thomson and Co. Newry).
Terms—As Usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 26th September, 1900. [2501]

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on **FRIDAY**, the 28th inst., at 11 A.M., at the Central Police Station, a Quantity of **SURPLUS STORES, CLOTHING, COPPER, IRON, &c.**
Also
A Large Quantity of **MARTINI-HENRI** EMPTY CARTRIDGE CASES.
And
at Noon, at Kowloon Police Station, **58 ASSORTED BOATS**.
Terms—As Usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 26th September, 1900. [2502]

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on **SATURDAY**, the 29th September, 1900, at Noon, at his Sales Room, Duddell Street, a Quantity of **ENGLISH CIGARETTES** (well-known brand of HUNTON & Co.), comprising—
1,000 Tins each 50 **GOLD TIPPED** (Bal Masque),
5,000 Tins each 10 **GOLD TIPPED** (Bal Masque),
2,500 Packets each 20 **CORK TIPPED** (Gold Filigree). All in excellent condition.
Terms—As Customary.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 26th September, 1900. [2505]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship
"HATLOONG,"
Captain Bathurst, will be despatched for the above port **TOMORROW**, the 27th inst., at 11 A.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARPAIK & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 26th September, 1900. [2503]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship
"FORMOSA,"
Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the above ports on **FRIDAY**, the 28th inst., at 11 A.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARPAIK & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 26th September, 1900. [2504]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship
"LOONGSANG,"
Captain Weigall, will be despatched as above on **SATURDAY**, the 29th inst., at 4 P.M.
This steamer has superior accommodation for First Class Passengers, is fitted throughout with Electric Light and carries a Doctor.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 26th September, 1900. [2498]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship
"ESMERALDA,"
Captain Geo. T. Blairland, will be despatched as above on **TUESDAY**, the 2nd October, at 5 P.M.
This steamer has superior accommodation for Passengers and is fitted with the Electric Light. A doctor is carried.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 25th September, 1900. [2499]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE AND BOMBAY.

(In close connection with the Co.'s accelerated line to TRIESTE.)
THE Company's Steamship

"MELPOMENE."

Captain C. Matricor, will be despatched as above on **TUESDAY**, the 2nd of October, P.M.
For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SANDER, WIELER & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 26th September, 1900. [2496]

LESSONS IN FRENCH.

NEW and easy method of learning French in a few months, mainly by conversation, by a Frenchman. Terms very moderate. Please address—
B. B.
Care of Office of this Paper.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1900. [2420]

ENTERTAINMENT.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

GRAND PROMENADE CONCERT to be held **TUESDAY EVENING (WEDNESDAY)**, the 26th September, 1900, on the **VOLUNTEER PARADE GROUND**, commencing at 8 P.M., for the benefit of the Ladies' Military Hospital Fund.

PROGRAMME.

- PART I.**
1.—March "Tannhauser" Wagner.
THE BAND.
2.—Song "My Sweetheart, when away" Morgan.
Mr. GEO. P. LAMMERT.
3.—Cornet Solo "The Lost Chord" Sullivan.
Private G. TOWNSLEY, A.O.C.
4.—Song "The King's Minstrel" Piusuti.
Mr. ALEC MARSH.
5.—Comic Song "I'm looking at you" Carter.
Arm. Sergt. F. R. VIGGERS, A.O.C.
6.—Song "Queen of the Earth" Piusuti.
Mr. E. E. HILL.
7.—Trio from "Faust" Gounod.
Messrs. LAMMERT, MARSH and SCHMIDT.
8.—Selection "Mikado" Sullivan.
THE BAND.

INTERVAL OF 10 MINUTES.

- PART II.**
1.—Gavotte "Mignon" Ambroise Thomas.
THE BAND.
2.—Song "Toreador's Song from 'Carmen'" Bizet.
Mr. ALEC MARSH.
3.—Flute Solo "Fantasia on 'La Sonnambula'" Bellini.
Sergt. ROBERTSON, R.W.F.
4.—Song "The Deathless Army" Trottere.
Mr. W. J. TERRELL.
5.—Comic Song "Sticking Out" Darnley.
Arm. Sergt. F. R. VIGGERS, A.O.C.
6.—Song "Ho, Jolly Junkin'" Sullivan.
Mr. C. H. GRACE.
7.—Duet "Love and War" Cooke.
Messrs. LAMMERT and MARSH.
8.—Descriptive piece "Dance of 'Demons'" Ganne.
THE BAND.

Accompanist—Mr. A. G. WARD.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

The Band of the R.W.F. is kindly lent for the occasion by Major Everitt and the Officers. The Proceeds of the Concert will be given in aid of the Ladies' Military Hospital Fund. Price for Admission—Gentlemen, 5/-; Ladies, 50 cents; Sailors, Soldiers, and Volunteers in Uniform, 50 cents. Tickets can be obtained at the Volunteer Head Quarters, or at Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd., Queen's Road, Hongkong, 25th September, 1900. [2471]

GOVERNMENT OF BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

REVENUE FARMS FOR 1901.

TENDERS will be received by the Government Secretary, Sandakan, on or before the 15th NOVEMBER, 1900, for the following **REVENUE FARMS** for 1901, or for periods of 2 or 3 years.
OPPIUM FARMS.
SPIRIT LICENSE FARMS.
PAWNBROKING FARMS.
CUSTOMS FARMS (North Borneo only).
GAMBLING RESTRICTION FARMS (North Borneo only).
For particulars, apply to—
MESSRS. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Hongkong, 11th July, 1900. [1951]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Official Administrator to sell by Public Auction, For Account of the Estates of the Late F. D. MACLEAN, F. DITTMANN and J. DODD (deceased), **TODAY (WEDNESDAY)**, the 26th September, at Noon, at their Sales Rooms, Ice House Street, a Quantity of **SUNDRY GOODS AND EFFECTS**, comprising—
SUNDRY CLOTHING, TRAVELLING BAGS, CAMPHOR WOOD TRUNKS, TENNIS RACQUETS, WALKING STICKS, VIOLIN IN CASE, TYPEWRITER, &c.
Also
One **IRON SAFE**, by Harris, Goodwin and Co., Birmingham and London.
Terms—As Usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 24th September, 1900. [2484]

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, **TODAY (WEDNESDAY)**, the 26th September, 1900, at 2.45 P.M., at No. 10, MOUNTAIN VIEW, The Peak (The Residence of GORDON NIELSEN, Esq.), **THE WHOLE OF HIS HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE**, also
A **COTTAGE PIANO**, by Allison (in good condition).
(Full Particulars can be seen from Catalogues.)
On View from Wednesday, the 26th September, 1900.
Catalogues will be issued.
Terms—As Customary.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1900. [2478]

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Mr. ATACK, Furniture Dealer (owing to his removal to new premises), to sell by Public Auction, **TOMORROW (THURSDAY)**, the 27th September, at 2.30 P.M., at his Store, 39, Queen's Road Central, the portion of his **STOCK IN TRADE, FURNITURE, FIXTURES, &c.**, comprising—
TAPESTRY, with PLUSH COVERED DRAWING ROOM FURNITURE, OVER-MANTELS, PICTURES, ORNAMENTS, CARPETS, BUGS, LAMPS, CROCKERY, GLASS AND PLATED WARE, IRON BED-STEADS, MARBLE TOP WASHSTANDS and Sundry other Goods.
Catalogues will be issued.
Terms of Sale—As Customary.
V. I. REMEDIOS,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 25th September, 1900. [2491]

SECOND SALE.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Mr. ATACK, Furniture Dealer (owing to his removal to new premises), to sell by Public Auction, **TOMORROW (THURSDAY)**, the 27th September, at 2.30 P.M., at his Store, 39, Queen's Road Central, the portion of his **STOCK IN TRADE, FURNITURE, FIXTURES, &c.**, comprising—
TAPESTRY, with PLUSH COVERED DRAWING ROOM FURNITURE, OVER-MANTELS, PICTURES, ORNAMENTS, CARPETS, BUGS, LAMPS, CROCKERY, GLASS AND PLATED WARE, IRON BED-STEADS, MARBLE TOP WASHSTANDS and Sundry other Goods.
Catalogues will be issued.
Terms of Sale—As Customary.
V. I. REMEDIOS,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 25th September, 1900. [2491]

PUBLIC AUCTION

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Hongkong, 25th September, 1900. [2491]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of **SHAREHOLDERS** in the above Company will be held at the Company's Office on **SATURDAY**, the 29th September, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1900. The **TRANSFER BOOKS** of the Company will be **CLOSED** from the 19th to the 29th September, both days inclusive.
DOUGLAS LARPAIK & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 13th September, 1900. [2409]

GREAT EASTERN AND CALEDONIAN GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that **SCRIPS** Number 1,299 to 1,392 for 300 **SHARES** of the above Company, numbered 119,683 to 119,982, in the name of S. Y. TONG, of Tientsin, and that **SCRIPS** Number 1,393 to 1,474 for 600 Shares of the above Company, numbered 120,593 to 121,192, in the name of LIANG YU TONG, of Tientsin, having been **LOST**, New **SCRIPS** for same will be issued after One month from the date hereof, and the Original **SCRIPS** will be considered by the Company as null and void, and all persons are hereby warned against accepting or negotiating same.
LUTGENS, KINSMANN & CO.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 30th August, 1900. [2311]

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby informed that at a General Meeting held in London recently an **INTERIM DIVIDEND** of 3 per cent. was declared on the Company's Preference Shares for the six months ending 30th June, this being at the rate of 6 per cent. per Annum. Also an **INTERIM DIVIDEND** of 5 per cent. on the Ordinary Shares for the Half-year, on Ordinary Shares (5/- paid up), this being at the rate of 10 per cent. per Annum. The **DIVIDEND WARRANTS** will be ready on the 1st October. The **TRANSFER BOOKS** of the Company will be **CLOSED** from the 27th current to 1st proximo, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 17th September, 1900. [2491]

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

SHAREHOLDERS are reminded that the premium of \$25.00 per Share of the New Issue of Capital authorised at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on 4th May, 1900, is **PAYABLE** on or before **MONDAY**, the 1st of October next. The **TRANSFER BOOKS** of the Company will be **CLOSED** from 27th to 23rd September, both days inclusive.
EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 21st September, 1900. [2469]

TEBRAU PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the **FINAL CALL** of \$1 per Share has been made in respect of the Shares not fully paid up, and that such **CALL** is **PAYABLE** on 5th October next to the undersigned at the Registered Offices of the Company, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 4th September, 1900. [2347]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the **TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING** of the **SOCIETY** will be held at its Head Office, No. 1, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on **THURSDAY**, the 11th October, 1900, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statements of Account for the year 1899 and for the half-year ending the 30th June, 1900, and of declaring dividends, &c. The **TRANSFER BOOKS** of the Society will be **CLOSED** from the 1st to 11th October, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board.
W. J. SAUNDERS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 21st September, 1900. [2420]

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of **SHAREHOLDERS** will be held at the Office of the Undersigned at 12 O'CLOCK (NOON), on **SATURDAY**, the 13th proximo. The **TRANSFER BOOKS** of the Company will be **CLOSED** from the 20th instant to the 13th proximo, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents.
Canton Insurance Office, Limited.
Hongkong, 25th September, 1900. [2469]

W. B. BREWER & CO.

NEW BOOKS.
Breitachneider's Revised Map of China... \$ 6.50
European Settlements in the Far East... 3.50
China of To-day: The Yellow Peril, Parts 1 and 2... 3.50
Strand Magazine, Volume for 1900... 4.00
Windsor Magazine, Volume for 1900... 3.50
The Imperial Pocket of 24 London Views... 1.00
South Africa, by Prof. Mackenzie and Stead... 6.50
The Siege of Ladysmith in 120 Pictures, Volumes 7, 8 and 9 of Navy and Army Illustrated—Surplus Stock reduced price \$10 for \$8.00
The Father Confessor, by Shorter... 1.50
A Prince of Swindlers, by Boothby... each
The Belle of Toorote, by Horning... 5.00
China the Long-lived Empire, by Mrs. Scidmore... 9.50
The Overland to China, by Colquhoun... 23 and 25, Queen's Road, Hongkong. [31]
LOONG FI HORSE REPOSITORY.
SITUATED at No. 2A, MATHESON STREET, near the No. 1 Police Station. **CARRIAGES** for **HIRE** at Cheap Rates. Apply to—
MANAGER.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1900. [2324]

BANKS.

THE BANK OF CHINA & JAPAN, LIMITED.

WORKING CAPITAL over £210,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS fully £425,000
2035,000

HEAD OFFICE:
36, Nicholas Lane, London.
BRANCHES:
Hongkong, Shanghai, Singapore
AGENCIES:
Yokohama, Kobe, Penang, Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, Colombo, Rangoon, Java, Lyons, and Paris.

BANKERS:
The Bank of England and the Capital and Counties Bank, Limited.
General Manager—F. C. BISHOP.

INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Accounts... 2 per cent
On Fixed Deposits 3 months... 4
" 6 months... 4 1/2
" 12 months... 5
" 12 months notice... 5 1/2

The Bank buys and sells and receives for collection Bills of Exchange on, and transacts general Banking business with, the above places, Hongkong, 1st May, 1900.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,125,000
PAID-UP £562,500
RESERVE FUND £30,000
BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2 1/2 per annum on the Daily balance. On Fixed Deposits—
For 12 months... 4 1/2
" 6 months... 4
" 3 months... 3 1/2
" 12 months notice... 5 1/2
J. THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1900. [20]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the **HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION**. Rules may be obtained on application.
INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 per cent. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on **FIXED DEPOSIT** at 4 per cent. per annum.
For the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
H. M. BEVIS,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1900. [18]

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL £10,000,000
RESERVE FUND £10,000,000
STERLING RESERVE £2,000,000
SILVER RESERVE £12,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS £10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
N. A. SIENS, Esq.—Chairman.
R. SHEWAN, Esq.—Deputy Chairman.
E. Goetz, Esq.
A. J. Raymond, Esq.
J. H. M. Gray.
P. L. Richardson, Esq.
A. Haupt, Esq.
P. Sachs, Esq.
Hon. J. J. Kewick.
H. W. Slade, Esq.
D. Meyer-Moses, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—SIR THOMAS JACKSON.

MANAGER:
Shanghai—J. P. WADE GARDNER, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits.
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per annum.
For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum.
H. M. BEVIS,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 18th August, 1900. [17]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL £324,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
CHAN K. SHAN, Esq., D. GILLES, Esq.,
CHOW T. SHANG, Esq., J. T. LAUTS, Esq.
Chief Manager,
Geo. W. F. PRATFAIR.

Interest for 12 Months Fixed 5 1/2.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1899. [19]

THE BANK OF TAIWAN (FORMOSA), LIMITED.

(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL CHARTER.)

AUTHORISED CAPITAL Yen 5,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL 1,250,000

HEAD OFFICE—TAIPEI, FORMOSA.

JUICHI SOYEDA, Esq., President.
Head Office Manager—HIROMI KAWASAKI, Esq.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES.
Tokyo Osaka Kyoto Yokohama
Kobe Nagasaki Hakodate Manji
Taiwan London New York S. Francisco
Hongkong Amoy Shanghai Tientsin
Newchwang Chemulpo Fusan.

HEAD OFFICE—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Accounts... 4 1/2 per annum
On Fixed Deposits... 5 1/2 per annum
For 3 months... 6 per annum
" 6 months... 6 1/2 per annum
" 12 months... 7 per annum

Credits granted on approved Securities and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Further particulars may be obtained on application.
HIROMI KAWASAKI,
Manager.
Taipei, 1st August, 1900. [239]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £280,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £280,000
RESERVE FUND £225,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2 1/2 per annum on the Daily balance. On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent.
" 6 months 3 1/2
" 3 months 3
" 12 months notice 5 1/2
T. E. SANSON,
Acting Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1900. [21]

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND 8,000,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES.
Tokyo Kobe Nagasaki
London Lyons New York
San Francisco Honolulu Bombay
Shanghai Tientsin Newchwang

LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance. On fixed deposits for 12 months 5 1/2 per annum.
" 6 months 4 1/2
" 3 months 4
" 12 months notice 5 1/2
S. CHOW,
Hongkong Manager.
Hongkong, 17th April, 1900. [758]

THE DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Sh. Tels 5,000,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES:
Berlin Calcutta Hankow
Tientsin Tsingtau (Kiautschow)

LONDON BANKERS:
Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS,
UNION BANK OF LONDON, LTD.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
H. SCHOTTLANDER,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 8th February, 1900. [45]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

GAELIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) THURSDAY, Sept. 27, at Noon.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) TUESDAY, Oct. 23, at Noon.

Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) SATURDAY, Nov. 17, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship "GAELIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, AND HONOLULU ON THURSDAY, the 27th September, 1900, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passenger Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full, and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 7th September, 1900. [4]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Twin Screw Steamship

"SHINANO MARU" (6,000 tons gross, Captain G. E. P. Cook) will be despatched for the above port on FRIDAY, the 28th instant, at 4 P.M.

This new Mail steamer is especially constructed for service in the Tropics and is provided with superior accommodation and with all modern fittings and improvements for the safety and comfort of Passengers. Electric Light and Refrigerator. Doctor and Stewardess carried. Return tickets issued by this Company are available for return by steamers of the other Lines.

For Freight or Passage, apply to A. S. MIHARA, Manager.

Hongkong, 20th September, 1900. [246]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, SOYOT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"CLYDE"

Captain A. L. Valentini, carrying Her Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this for Bombay on SATURDAY, the 25th September, 1900, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above port.

Ships and Vessels, all cargo for France, and for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay with transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to A. M. MARSHALL, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 17th September, 1900. [1]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, CEBU AND ILOILO.

THE Company's Steamship

"K'IFONG"

Captain Pennant, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 30th inst., at DAYLIGHT.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this twin screw Steamer.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 25th September, 1900. [243]

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA AND JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDIA-CEYLON STRAIT NAVIGATION Co.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to DODWELL & CO. LIMITED, General Agents for China and Japan.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1897.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA.

THE Company's Steamship

"NANCHANG"

Captain Finlayson, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 30th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1900. [2473]

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) SATURDAY, Oct. 6, 1900, at Noon.

NIPPON MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) TUESDAY, Oct. 30, 1900, at Noon.

AMERICA MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) SATURDAY, Nov. 24, 1900, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"HONGKONG MARU"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, AND HONOLULU ON SATURDAY, the 6th October, 1900, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full, value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1900. [5]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX.

ALSO PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON MONDAY, the 8th October, 1900, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "INDUS", Captain Duchateau, with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this port for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the M. Polytechnique, which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails, leaving that port on the 20th October, direct to Suez, Port Said and Marseilles.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 7th October. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office). Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 25th September, 1900. [2]

THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Steamship

"ANPING MARU"

Captain S. Atsumi, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd Oct., at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to THE MITSUBI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents.

Hongkong, 19th September, 1900. [1443]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"MARIA DE LARRINAGA"

will be despatched for the above port on or about the 6th October, 1900.

For Freight, apply to DODWELL & CO. LD., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1900. [2472]

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

CHINA (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) SATURDAY, Oct. 13, at Noon.

CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) THURSDAY, Nov. 8, at Noon.

CITY OF PEKING (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) TUESDAY, Dec. 4, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship "CHINA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, AND HONOLULU ON SATURDAY, the 13th October, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

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Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full, value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 19th September, 1900. [3]

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.'S NEW YORK LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"ANAPA"

will be despatched for the above port on or about the 20th October, 1900.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 25th September, 1900. [2497]

HONGKONG STEAMERS.

Amigo, German str., 771, Bendixen, Sept. 19.

Jelson, British str., 1,780, Helms, Sept. 23.

Gib, Livingston & Co.

Babelberg, Ger. str., 1,378, Reekmann, Sept. 21.

21, East Asiatic Trading Co.

Hamber, German str., 2,659, Jacobs, Sept. 21.

Siemssen & Co.

Canton; British str., 1,101, Lawrence, Sept. 13.

Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Catherine Apear, Brit. str., 1,730, Oliffent, Sept. 21.

David Sassoon, Sons & Co.

Cymbeline, British str., 2,150, Edward, Sept. 24.

Standard Oil Co.

D phne, German str., 1,290, Nissen, Sept. 25.

Siemssen & Co.

Elm Branch, British str., 2,165, Iliff, Sept. 25.

M. B. Kaisha

Empress of Japan, British str., 5,904, Pybus, Sept. 11.

C. P. E. Co.

Feiching, British str., 989, Gordon, Sept. 24.

John & Co.

Fitzclarence, Brit. str., 2,588, Renton, Sept. 22.

Siemssen & Co.

Gaelic, British str., 4,206, Finch, Sept. 19.

O. & O. S. S. Co.

Hailong, British str., 783, Bathurst, Sept. 23.

Douglas Lapraik & Co.

Kachidate Maru, Jap. str., 2,143, Fusaki, Sept. 25.

25, M. B. Kaisha

Kalmar, British str., 1,158, Laver, Sept. 22.

Butterfield & Swire

Kong Beng, German str., 862, Fuchs, Aug. 23.

Butterfield & Swire

Legaspi, American str., 563, Yricker, Sept. 23.

Order

Loyal, German str., 1,237, Lorenzen, Sept. 25.

Sander, Wielder & Co.

Lysemon, Ger. str., 1,238, Heuermann, Sept. 25.

Siemssen & Co.

Marie Johnson, Ger. str., 1,700, Hammer, Sept. 25.

25, Johnson & Co.

Nanchang, Brit. str., 1,060, Finlayson, Sept. 24.

Butterfield & Swire

Penarth, British str., 1,950, West, Sept. 14.

British Government

Phra Chom Kiao, Brit. str., 1,012, Fowler, Sept. 19.

Butterfield & Swire

Progress, German str., 637, Brandt, Sept. 21.

Siemssen & Co.

Queen Adelaide, Brit. str., 1,835, McNeil, Sept. 20.

Dodwell & Co., Limited

Shinano Maru, Jap. str., 3,060, Cook, Sept. 24.

Nippon Yusen Kaisha

Skarpene, Norw. str., 1,024, Tolleson, Sept. 12.

Sander, Wielder & Co.

Sungking, British str., 1,021, Robinson, Sept. 23.

Butterfield & Swire

Taisang, British str., 1,514, Wilde, Sept. 24.

Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Taishun, Amr. str., 1,216, Pattison, Sept. 23.

Chinese

Taksang, British steamer, 977, Kent, Sept. 21.

Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Thales, British str., 826, Robson, Sept. 23.

Douglas Lapraik & Co.

Tritos, German str., 1,033, Schlaikier, Sept. 21.

Siemssen & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

Benjamin Sewall, American ship, 1,345, Smale, Sept. 23.

Order

Bittorn, British str., 399, Askin, Aug. 28.

Siemssen & Co.

Hambury, British ship, 1,649, Caldwell, Aug. 30.

Standard Oil Co.

Mannell Illeguno, Amr. ship, 1,650, Small, Aug. 6.

Standard Oil Co.

Norwood, British ship, 1,388, Roy, July 31.

Order

Peter Rickmers, Ger. 4m. ship, 2,751, Scholer, Aug. 11.

Standard Oil Co.

President, British bark, 750, Munro, Aug. 24.

Siemssen & Co.

Sachsen, Amr. bark, 1,297, Nickles, July 13.

Standard Oil Co.

Saravac, Amr. bark, 858, Bartaly, Aug. 15.

Standard Oil Co.

Stanfield, British bark, 562, Wilson, June 22.

Order

Topgallant, Amr. bark, 1,200,

